

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 20, 1865.

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and the Militia.

## **AN ACT**

To determine the rank of officers re-entering the military service.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3       That any officer who has served in the army of the United  
4       States in the present war, and has been honorably discharged  
5       therefrom, and is recommissioned in the military service,  
6       shall take rank from a date as many days prior to the date of  
7       his re-entering the service as he has served in the grade to  
8       which he is recommissioned; and the President of the United  
9       States and the governors of the several States are hereby  
10      authorized to issue commissions in accordance with the pro-  
11      visions of this act: *Provided*, That nothing in this act shall  
12      entitle any officer so recommissioned to receive any additional  
13      pay.

Passed the House of Representatives February 18, 1865.

Attest:

EDWARD McPHERSON, *Clerk.*

By CLINTON LLOYD, *Chief Clerk.*